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Applicant ..... Microsoft Corporation  
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Title: Highlight Rendering Services Component For an Extensible Editor

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 8, 2003**

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**In the Claims:**

Please amend claims 1, 5, 10, 17 and 22.

Please cancel claim 11.

No claims are added.

Claims 1-10 and 12-27 are pending and are reproduced below.